

Greenwood Township June 2, 2026 Regular Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. by S Bigelow.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Board members present: Shelly Bigelow, Terry Vandercook, Nancy Mohler, Harold Swinehart, Melody Baker

Guests and residents present: Paul North, Dick & Jody LaBarre, Al Mohler, Jason Nelson, Rick & Patty Swanson

Public Comment: Rick Swanson wanted to thank the Township Board for putting an eight yard dumpster on River Road to clean up the trash that had floated out of the river into the yards of the residents. He had pictures to show the damage that was done from the flooding.

When S Bigelow called Manton Disposal to get the dumpster they quoted a price of \$400.00. When billed for the dumpster the township was billed \$250.00. They also felt bad for the home owners on River Road and gave the township a discount for the dumpster.

Minutes: Minutes were presented for the May 5, 2026 regular meeting. Motion made by T Vandercook supported by M Baker to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes were presented for the May 11, 2026 special meeting to adopt the ballot language and a millage resolution for the fire department millage. Motion made by M Baker supported by H Swinehart to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Bills: The bills were presented for the June 2, 2026 regular meeting. Motion made by T Vandercook supported by H Swinehart. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business: There will not be a newsletter with the summer taxes.

Dump day was well received and the township will plan the dump day for the 3rd weekend of May 2027 same time 9:00 am. to 12:pm.

Memorial day services were planned out very well and Greenwood was represented very nicely in the Cadillac Newspaper.

New Business: Audit Wednesday, June 3rd and Thursday, June 4th.

Need someone to power wash the township hall.

T Vandercook told the board he is concerned that we have too much cash on hand. We have \$125,000.00 in our budget, but \$380,000.00 in an unassigned fund balance. We may need to be thinking of some capital improvements.

Things that were suggested:

- Irrigation for the cemetery
- A new piece of land for the cemetery
- A new shed
- Roofing and siding
- Fire department
- Brining the dirt roads

This was tabled for a future meeting.

S Bigelow said she has been contacted by someone from River Road that had a lot of flood damage. He told S Bigelow that there are grants available to help the flood victims. These grants are through Michigan State Police Emergency Management Homeland Security Division. The grants are 75/25. The township would have to apply for the grant and hire all contractors with the hope that the homeowner will pay the grant. It must be applied for at the first of June. So it was tabled for the present time.

There were issues with the cemetery clean up for Memorial Day. There were a lot of leaves on the graves and big pine cones under the trees. Motion made by T Vandercook supported by M Baker to only pay Thin Blue Line Farm LLC \$350.00 for mowing and \$300.00 for spring cleanup. Motion passed unanimously.

There was also a discussion on the use of a small backhoe for grave digging. It was agreed that it should be allowed.

Motion made by T Vandercook supported by H Swinehart to put an ad in the newspaper for a new caretaker/sexton with any questions directed to S Bigelow.

Fire Department: Jason Nelson said the fire department just had training at Dayhuff Lake in Meauwataka.

Treasurers Report: T Vandercook presented the treasurers report. Motion made by M Baker supported by N Mohler to accept the treasurers report. Motion passed unanimously.

T Vandercook told the board he was having trouble with his computer and printer.

Motion made by S Bigelow supported by M Baker to allow T Vandercook to purchase a new computer and printer not to exceed \$2000.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments: Dick LaBarre suggested including Greenwood Scenic Overlook in the mowing.

Motion made by T Vandercook motioned to adjourn at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Nancy Mohler Greenwood Township Clerk